

THE OCALA BANNER



Your flag and my flag, and how it flies today;
In your land and my land and half the world away;
Rose red and blood red its stripes forever gleam;
Snow white and soul white, the good forefathers' dream;
Sky blue and true blue, with stars that gleam aright;
The glorious guidon of the day, a shelter through the night.

Your flag and my flag, and oh, how much it holds!
Your land and my land secure within its folds;
Your heart and my heart beat quicker at the sight;
Sun-kissed and wind-tossed, the red and blue and white;
The one flag, the great flag, the flag for me and you;
Glorified all else beside, the red and white and blue.

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The state prohibition law in Mississippi is now in effect.

The DeFuniak Breeze calls the president Truthful, Toothful Teddy.

J. Pierpont Morgan sent ten thousand dollars to aid the Messina sufferers.

The Tampa Bay Hotel opens today and the Ponce de Leon at St. Augustine opens on Tuesday.

Make up your mind to the fact that you will still have to toy with the crank all through the year 1909.

A negro in New York lived 48 hours with a bullet embedded in his heart. The surgeons at the hospital were amazed.

Southern Railway earnings the third week of November decreased \$18,000, and from July 1 to date decreased \$1,200,000.

Washington has a movement to revise the rules of the house of representatives in order to ensure satisfaction in tariff revision.

Mr. J. C. Compton, who for twenty years has been superintendent of public schools of Lake county, will assume editorial control of the Leesburg Commercial.

How about a Carnegie heroine medal for Agnes Lockwood, the 3-year-old New York girl, who was almost scalded to death rescuing her doll from a tub of hot water?—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Appleyard's piquant paragraphs continue to illumine the editorial page of the Lake City Index—occasionally bursting into brilliant scintillations and ever and anon shimmering down to moonshine.—Pensacola Journal.

The Stewart Fruit Co., of Baltimore reports a very large and satisfactory holiday business. They are making a great many car-load sales of Florida oranges; 3000 boxes of the cargo due today being consigned to the Stewart Fruit Co.

The number of women investors in \$10,000 editions de luxe of authors' works, as shown by the proceedings in a Chicago suit, indicates a power of persuasion on the part of the book-cannassers which will excite the envy of promoters of mining stock.—New York World.

Governor Gilchrist will be the fifth native Floridian to serve his people as governor, O. B. Hart (republican), W. D. Bloxham, F. P. Fleming and N. B. Broward (all democrats) being the others. Hart dies in office, and Stearns, lieutenant governor, filled out the term.—Metropolis.

The recent Marion county fair at Ocala was a great success financially. More than \$3700 were subscribed and there were other sources of revenue. The expenses were \$3500. Buildings costing more than \$2000 remain on the grounds, all paid for and ready for another year.—St. Augustine Record.

THE MAKERS OF AMERICA
The publishers of this edition for Florida write that they are meeting with very gratifying success, and that the book will soon be placed in the hands of the printers. It will be a publication worthy of preservation. Several of the leading men of Florida have contributed articles for it, among whom are Colonel R. W. Davis and Editor W. F. Stovall of Tampa, Mr. Geo. Drew of Jacksonville, Mr. P. K. Yonge of Pensacola, Mr. C. G. Menninger of Lakeland, Mr. W. M. Corry and Mr. David Schein of Quincy.

GOVERNOR ALBERT W. GILCHRIST

Albert W. Gilchrist, who was inaugurated governor of Florida at noon Tuesday at Tallahassee, the seat of government, is the only son of the late General William E. Gilchrist, who came to Florida from South Carolina in the early 40's. He purchased a large plantation near Quincy and became an extensive planter. Soon after coming to Florida he married Miss Mary Elizabeth Waller of Greenwood, S. C. It was while Mrs. Gilchrist was on a visit to her mother at Greenwood that the present Governor Gilchrist was born, so he is not a native Floridian, as has been generally stated by the press of the state.

Governor Gilchrist's father ran for brigadier general of militia in 1860 on the democratic ticket, his opponent being a whig. He and his opponent being extremely wealthy men for those times made it a most spectacular and exciting campaign, and in interest it overshadowed all the candidates for other offices, and everything was centered on it. General Gilchrist contracted pneumonia from exposure in the campaign and died before the result of the election was made known.

In 1878 Mr. Albert W. Gilchrist won in a competitive examination and entered West Point Military Academy. He served there as a cadet private, cadet sergeant and cadet lieutenant. Although standing in the tens of his class he was found deficient in experimental philosophy, which caused him to lose his place. As a brigadier general of Florida militia he was appointed by President Grover Cleveland as one of the board of visitors to West Point. His old professor of experimental philosophy was still a teacher at the academy, and General Gilchrist recalled to him the incident of his losing his scholarship because of his ruling against him, which was without precedent.

In 1905 Mr. Gilchrist was elected speaker of the house of representatives and was many times a delegate to various county and state conventions.

He has always been ambitious for political honors and early predicted his election to the various offices he has filled.

During the Spanish-American war he held the office of brigadier general of Florida militia and through it tried to procure a commission in the army, but failing, he enlisted as a private in Company C, Third U. S. volunteer infantry, Col. P. H. Ray, commanding. He was successively promoted as lieutenant, captain and brevet major. His regiment was one of the few that did service in Cuba and Major Gilchrist won a reputation for the sanitary measures he put into execution while his regiment was stationed at one of the seaport cities. His regiment was mustered out of service in May, 1899, Mr. Gilchrist holding the rank of captain.

It may be interesting to our readers to know that one of Governor Gilchrist's colonial great grandfathers, Col. Joseph Ball, was also the grandfather of George Washington, and another one of his great grandfathers, Col. Edwin Conway, was the grandfather of President James Madison.

Governor Gilchrist has lived in Florida all his life. Soon after leaving West Point he became a civil engineer. He obtained a position with the surveying corps of the Florida Southern railway (now the A. C. L.) which took him to Punta Gorda. He was very much impressed with its future and located there, and that has been his home ever since. He engaged in the real estate business, but never sold lands on commission. He bought large tracts of land, frequently building homes on same, re-selling them, and was remarkably successful.

During his incumbency of the office of governor his mother, Mrs. James G. Gibbs, of Columbia, S. C., will preside at the executive mansion. Though well advanced in years, she is still quite active and recently made a tour of Europe, and stood the trip well and seemed almost as youthful as any member of the party. She is a graduate of the Limestone Springs, S. C., college, a famous college in its day. She has always been fond of society. During the civil war period Quincy was the headquarters of Gen. Howell Cobb. He had thirty-two young men on his staff, which lent great activity to the social life of the little village, and the home of Mrs. Gilchrist was always the center of the social gaieties, and she entertained lavishly and beautifully.

Governor Gilchrist has two half sisters and two half brothers, and during the next four years the governor's mansion at Tallahassee will be the scene of many beautiful receptions and numerous other charming social functions.

FLORIDA KEYS

Next Tuesday Governor Broward will turn over the executive keys to his successor, General Albert W. Gilchrist. With the keys of the state, Governor Broward will hand his successor the keys to the Everglade drainage situation, one of the biggest keys in the bunch.—Miami Metropolis.

THE PARCELS POST—WILL IT BE HELPFUL OR HURTFUL?

Whether or not the establishment of a parcels post would be a good thing or a bad thing for this country has provoked any amount of discussion.

Unless its provisions are very greatly modified, we are inclined to believe that it will prove most hurtful.

Say that it is put into force as it is now suggested and that every one who makes a purchase from one of the great department stores in the big cities buys for a considerable less price than he can buy the same articles for from his home dealer, would it in the end be better for all concerned?

Say that all persons were benefited—say that all made an actual saving in dollars and cents who made purchases from said department stores, and the goods were delivered at their very doors almost without cost—then what?

Those big department stores would soon absorb all the business of the country, and the local dealer would be forced to retire.

With his doors involuntarily closed rents of course would largely cease. Then, there would be a falling off in the monthly business of the telephone plant, electric light plant, water works plant, etc., which would materially affect the business of the town.

The newspapers would be forced to suspend, and the job presses would stop.

The effects would be sooner or later felt by the doctors, preachers, lawyers, and eventually by all trades and professions. There would be a falling off in school attendance and church-goers would continue fewer in number, and, to make a long story short, the time would come when there would be no little towns—we would have more "deserted villages" than Oliver Goldsmith ever dreamed of.

There would be no local markets because all persons engaged in trade and the professions would be forced to flock to the larger cities.

There would be no intermediary between the city and the country, as there is now. It would be all life in the big cities or life on the farm.

Would the farmer profit by this change in conditions? Would farm values increase? Would there be a better market for farm products?

If parcels, like letters, are to be carried from one end of the country to the other for the same price, we can see where the system would prove, as we have indicated above, very hurtful.

If, however, the price for the delivery of packages were fixed at a certain price for a certain distance, and after that let the toll grow greater in an ever-increasing ratio, we see where the adoption of the system might result in great good.

It is a matter that is worthy of grave consideration.

GILCHRIST'S TEMPER

The Reporter-Star notes with satisfaction the tone of Governor-to-be Gilchrist's plans for state government.

There is no tone of antagonism toward those who preferred not to support him in the state primary.

He does not intimate retribution toward even the newspapers which did not support him.

Unlike Governor Broward, he does not damn the press of the state because they did not follow his leadership. Gilchrist says that he is going to do the best he knows how to give a clean, satisfactory government, bearing malice toward none.

That is manly and fair, and doubtless every single man and newspaper that opposed him, because they were for some other, will stand by him in his effort.

Should his administration not meet with the favor of some, we take it he will not call down the curses of the gods upon those who may differ with him.

Bitterness of speech against a free press on the part of public men, such as Roosevelt and Broward, does not assist in the making of free government.—Orlando Reporter-Star.

ROLLINS COLLEGE

We acknowledge an invitation to be present at Winter Park, Florida, on the afternoon and evening of Thursday, February fourteenth, the occasion being the dedication of Carnegie and Chase halls by the trustees of Rollins College.

This is the oldest college in Florida, and within the past four years its president, Mr. William F. Blackman, has succeeded in raising for it among the friends the sum of \$300,000. There has scarcely been a year in many years that Ocala has not been represented at this college, and the students always speak of it in high praise. It certainly has builded well and those in charge of it cannot be commended too highly for their splendid and ceaseless activity.

Keep your eye on the girl Gilchrist dances the first set with at the inaugural ball.—Pensacola Journal.

OUR NEW BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The new board of county commissioners for this county was formally inducted into office Tuesday morning.

A resolution had been passed by the old board thanking the retiring president, Mr. John L. Edwards, for the faithful and impartial manner in which he had administered the office, and in retiring he made a brief speech telling how pleased he was with the passage of the resolution, and what a pleasure it had been to him to serve with a body of men who had co-operated so heartily in every movement that meant the upbuilding of the county, and whose labors had been so harmonious. Retiring with Mr. Edwards are Mr. Pyles and Mr. Turner.

We may be permitted to say in this connection that this board has placed the county under a new obligation to it for the magnificent new house which they have given it, and for the beautiful manner in which the grounds have been laid out and kept up. It is the best advertisement the county ever had, and elicits encomiums from all who see it.

After the assembling of the new board Mr. George MacKay of this city was unanimously chosen chairman of the body, and in assuming the duties of the office he thanked the members most heartily for the honor done him, and said that it would be his highest ambition to promote every interest of the county and zealously guard the same. That his efforts would be to manage its affairs along lines that would lead to improvement and progress, but that he would do this with rigid economy and within constitutional limitations.

The three new members are Mr. MacKay of Ocala, Mr. J. W. Crosby of Citra, and Mr. M. M. Proctor of Pedro.

Mr. MacKay is a native of Scotland, that land which has not only covered itself with a long list of names that has given imperishable fame to it, but has furnished other lands with a body of thrifty sons who have achieved reputations in every field of endeavor, adding rich laurels to their adopted homes.

Mr. MacKay was born in Sutherlandshire in 1859 and received his education there. He received his architectural training in a private school, which fitted him for his life work. He first obtained a position as superintendent of building and construction in Invernesshire, but afterwards accepted a position with the British government and located in the West India Islands. He was placed in charge of construction of one of the railroads. He was married there. He came to Florida in 1884, first locating at Belleview and afterwards made Ocala his home. Since coming to Ocala his efforts are fully known and are as fully appreciated. Most of the buildings in this section are of his designing, and in their construction it is rare that he has not given absolute satisfaction.

Most of the phosphate plants in this and adjoining counties have been constructed under his supervision, he having first designed them, and he has also been the designer and builder of most of the bridges. The court house grounds, which are pronounced so ornamental and tasteful, were fashioned by him. He has been an active member of our community and has carved a name for himself that will live after him. He has been a member of the city council and is an active member of the Presbyterian church. He has seven children and the family life is ideal.

Mr. W. J. Crosby, who succeeds Mr. Turner on the board, is forty years of age, and it goes for the saying that he is in the very prime of life. He was born at Starke, in Bradford county. When he was twenty years of age he began the study of orange culture, and perhaps no man in Florida has put his knowledge into more practical use.

Before the big freeze he was manager of one of the big groves on Indian river. For nine years he has been in Marion county, and besides a grove, which he has recently brought into bearing, he and Mr. E. L. Wartmann have entered into a contract to rehabilitate the famous Harris and Bishop groves, and already have seventy-five acres well under way.

At our late Marion County Fair they won the blue ribbon for having the finest oranges on display.

This was one of the practical results of Mr. Crosby's knowledge of the culture of this fruit along all lines.

Besides being a successful orange grower he is a successful vegetable grower and has made a marked success in the growing of lettuce.

Mr. Crosby is married, has four children, and is a prominent Methodist.

If he makes as good an official as he has a citizen Marion county may well congratulate herself on his services. Mr. M. M. Proctor succeeds Capt. Samuel P. Pyles. He is not only a native Floridian, but is also a native of the county, having been born at Fort McCoy in December, 1861. When a young man he was a carpenter, and at different times has followed merchandising, but acknowledges to the soft impeachment of being only a

FLORIDA ORANGES SELL WELL

Demand Absorbs Supply and Prices Rule Firm

At the beginning of the new year a New York special says that as far as prices are concerned, there has been practically no change in the Florida orange market this week. Toward the close of the week, however, there was a stronger feeling that the fruit cleaned up more closely and rapidly than at any time this season. Receipts have been moderately heavy, but the demand has kept pace with them and there has been no falling off in prices to any material extent. The condition of the fruit was a little better, but there has been no improvement in the quality. Some receivers say that some of their oranges that come by steamship lines arrive in good order, while practically all of the all-rail shipments come in fairly good condition.

There has been considerable rain in the orange sections of Florida and the growers have been shipping a good deal of soft fruit. This will hold up on an all-rail shipment, but will not stand the longer water haul. There is still an unsatisfied demand for the extra fancy fruit, and some good prices have been realized at the auctions this week. Choice, ordinary fruit is selling at \$1.75@2.10, with the fancy at \$2.25@2.50. A number of receivers ordered a few cars to be here this week, anticipating a better market. They were not entirely disappointed. These people think that next week will see a still further improvement as they look for a decrease in shipments. Various estimates are made as to the amount of fruit still left in Florida, and hardly any two agree. Some say not over 50 per cent. of it has been shipped, and from that the guesses range up to 70. Advice to the News from Jacksonville indicates that at least 40 per cent. of the crop still remains in the state. It is about a case of paying your money and taking your choice.—N. Y. Produce News.

Former Superintendent Sheets is a delegate to the State Teachers' Association now in session at Gainesville. He offered a resolution which was adopted, reviewing the decision of the supreme court deciding unconstitutional chapter 5381, acts of the legislature of 1905, providing state aid to certain schools which make a daily average attendance of 80 per cent., and favoring a constitutional amendment for the annual levy of a tax of one mill, half of which shall be apportioned to the counties for the maintenance of rural graded junior and senior high schools, the other half to be placed to the credit of the state board of education, to be used for the equipment and maintenance of the institutions of higher learning as provided for in the Buckman bill.

It took seven columns of space in last week's Ocala Banner to publish the list of premiums awarded on farms and horticultural products at the recent Marion County Fair, and the list embraced every variety of live stock from bull to bantam, as well as all manner of hays, grains, fruits, vegetables, etc. The list is valuable, chiefly in that it shows to the world that anything worth raising can be raised in Florida, and so well raised as to make the grower so proud of his accomplishment that he is anxious for all the world to compare it with the best.—Palatka News.

farmer. He has in round numbers two hundred acres under cultivation, and has been quite successful. He belongs to what is known as the bone and sinew of the country—its security in peace and its reliance in war. He is married and has reared a family of twelve children, ten of whom are still living. He has two daughters teaching school in this county.

Mr. Proctor is very popular in his neighborhood, is quiet and unpretentious and will make us an active and conscientious official.

THE OCALA BANNER GETS A NEW YEAR'S GIFT

The Ocala Banner is still having flowers thrown in its direction. At the meeting of the board of county commissioners yesterday afternoon it was designated as the official newspaper for the publication of the delinquent tax list for the year 1908.

This paper extends its best good wishes to the retiring and incoming boards.

ALWAYS THE WOMAN

It is rather difficult to determine from the progress of the Hains trial which one of the brothers is before the bar. All will agree that Mrs. Peter Hains is the one who ought to be there.—Pensacola Journal.

Ever since Adam placed the sin of eating the "forbidden fruit" on Eve the sin has always been placed on the woman.

"Man's made," she mused, "of dust, they say;
The man I want is he,
With sand enough to find a way
To make the dust for me."

BABY TORTURED FOR 6 MONTHS

By Terrible Itching Eczema—Face and Head a Solid Sore—Spread to His Hand and Legs—Would Scratch Until He Bled—Tiny Sufferer Immediately Relieved and

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"When my son Walter was three weeks old, eczema appeared on his face. We did not know what it was so went to a doctor who treated him for three months. Then he was so bad that his face and head were nothing but one sore and his ears looked as if they were going to fall off, so we tried another doctor. He said he could cure him and we

doctored there four months, the baby never getting any better. His hand and legs then had big sores on them and as for his sleeping, we could not think of it, the poor little fellow suffered so terribly. First I tied his hands to the crib to keep him from scratching, but when it got so bad I tied him in a shawl or he would scratch himself all bloody. When he was seven months old we tried a set of the Cuticura Remedies. The first application of Cuticura led him sleep and rest well, in one week the sores were gone but it stayed red and sometimes it would itch so we used Cuticura for two months, then he had a clear and white face. Now he is two years and seven months old and has never had eczema again. I hope this letter will help some who are suffering from skin disease. Every mother who has a baby suffering with skin disease should just try Cuticura; there is nothing better." Mrs. Louis Beck, R. F. D. 3, San Antonio, Tex., Apr. 19, '07.

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SICILIAN EARTHQUAKE CATASTROPHE SUMMARIZED

One hundred thousand killed in Calabria and Sicily.

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In Messina alone the number of dead is placed at 50,000.

Tidal wave thirty feet high swept the streets of Messina, drowning hundreds, and destroying palaces, churches and all other buildings in its path.

Mount Etna is becoming active, and its threatened eruption adds to the terrors of the situation.

The pope appeals to Catholics the world over for aid, and heads the subscription list with \$200,000; King Victor Emmanuel gives \$400,000.

Nearly the whole population of Reggio, a town of 50,000, was wiped out.

Refugees from Messina say that city has been almost entirely destroyed, and that several villages in that vicinity have totally disappeared.

All the bishops, priests and nuns in the religious communities of Messina are reported killed by the earthquake and fire which followed it.

At Cassano 1000 are dead out of 6700 population, and at Cozenza 500 dead have already been taken from the ruins.

One hundred English and German tourists lost their lives by the destruction of the principal hotel at Messina.

There is a war on between the president and congress. The president had the last passage of arms and held up his end of the debate very handsomely. Much better than it was thought possible.

Consumption

is, by no means, the dreadful disease it is thought to be—in the beginning.

It can always be stopped—in the beginning. The trouble is: you don't know you've got it; you don't believe it; you won't believe it—till you are forced to. Then it is dangerous.

Don't be afraid; but attend to it quick—you can do it yourself and at home. Take

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